

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-7 (canceled).

Claim 8 (previously presented): An insulation coated conductive particle comprising a conductive particle having a surface that is coated with an insulating resin layer formed of an insulating resin having a carboxyl group, wherein the insulating resin layer is surface-treated with a polyfunctional aziridine compound.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The insulation coated conductive particle according to claim 8, wherein the insulating resin layer is composed of an insulating resin selected from the group consisting of an acrylic acid monomer unit and a methacrylic acid monomer unit.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The insulation coated conductive particle according to claim 8, wherein the polyfunctional aziridine compound is trimethylolpropane-tri- $\beta$ -aziridinypropionate, tetramethylolmethane-tri- $\beta$ -aziridinypropionate, or N,N-hexamethylene-1,6-bis-1-aziridinecarboxamide.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The insulation coated conductive particle according to claim 10, wherein the insulating resin layer is composed of an insulating resin selected from the group consisting of an acrylic acid monomer unit and a methacrylic acid monomer unit.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The insulation coated conductive particle according to claim 11, wherein the insulating resin is an acrylic acid-styrene copolymer.

Claim 13 (withdrawn): A method for fabricating an insulation coated conductive particle, comprising:

performing a surface treatment with a polyfunctional aziridine compound on an insulating resin layer that is formed of an insulating resin having a carboxyl group; and coating a surface of a conductive particle.

Claim 14 (previously presented): An anisotropic conductive adhesive comprising an insulation coated conductive particle that is dispersed in an insulating adhesive, wherein the insulation coated conductive particle includes a conductive particle having a surface that is coated with an insulating resin layer formed of an insulating resin having a carboxyl group, and wherein the insulating resin layer is surface-treated with a polyfunctional aziridine compound.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 14, wherein the insulating resin layer is composed of an insulating resin selected from the group consisting of an acrylic acid monomer unit and a methacrylic acid monomer unit.

Claim 16 (previously presented): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 14, wherein the polyfunctional aziridine compound is trimethylolpropane-tri- $\beta$ -aziridinypropionate, tetramethylolmethane-tri- $\beta$ -aziridinypropionate, or N,N-hexamethylene-1,6-bis-1-aziridinecarboxamide.

Claim 17 (previously presented): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 16, wherein the insulating resin layer is composed of an insulating resin selected from the group consisting of an acrylic acid monomer unit and a methacrylic acid monomer unit.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 17, wherein the insulating resin is an acrylic acid-styrene copolymer.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 14, wherein the insulating adhesive contains an epoxy resin.

Claim 20 (previously presented): The insulation coated conductive particle according to claim 8, wherein the polyfunctional aziridine compound has two or more aziridine groups.

Claim 21 (cancelled)

Claim 22 (previously presented): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 14, wherein the polyfunctional aziridine compound has two or more aziridine groups.

Claim 23 (cancelled)

Claim 24 (new): The insulation coated conductive particle according to claim 8, wherein an amount of the carboxyl in the insulating resin is in a range of from about 0.1 to about 50 mg KOH/g.

Claim 25 (new): The insulation coated conductive particle according to claim 8, wherein a thickness of the insulating resin layer is in the range from about 0.01 to 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 26 (new): The insulation coated conductive particle according to claim 8, wherein the resin layer has carboxyl groups that react with the polyfunctional aziridine during the surface treatment.

Claim 27 (new): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 14, wherein an amount of the carboxyl in the insulating resin is in a range of from about 0.1 to about 50 mg KOH/g.

Claim 28 (new): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 14, wherein a thickness of the insulating resin layer is in the range from about 0.01 to 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 29 (new): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 14, wherein the resin layer has carboxyl groups that react with the polyfunctional aziridine during the surface treatment.

Claim 30 (new): The anisotropic conductive adhesive according to claim 14, wherein an amount of the insulation coated conductive particles is in the range of from 1 vol% to 20 vol%.